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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q59040

Shinichi KUDO

Appln. No.: 09/559,469

Group Art Unit: 3713

Confirmation No.: 1492

Examiner: Binh-An D. Nguyen

Filed: April 26, 2000

For: METHOD OF SWITCHING BACKGROUND IMAGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH
MOVEMENT OF CHARACTERS, STORAGE MEDIUM FOR STORING
PROGRAMS, AND VIDEO GAME DEVICE

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on
August 10, 2004:

REMARKS

During the interview, the following was discussed telephonic:

1. Identification of claims discussed: 1-11
2. Identification of art discussed: Rieder (5,769,718)
3. Identification of principal proposed amendments: preamble statement of "finite and unacceptable delay" distinguishes over the prior art.
4. Brief Identification of principal arguments: This statement defines the focus and advantage of the background switching limitation.
5. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: NONE

Statement of Substance of Interview
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6. Results of Interview: Office Action will address the issue.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

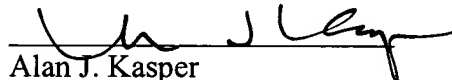
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